

FINANCE, OIL AND GAS

New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—When the speculative stock market opened Saturday morning an entire absence of any bullish efforts was strikingly noticeable, and wherever the least activity made its momentary appearance it had the result of producing substantial declines. At the close the market as a whole was irregular.

Grain and Produce.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—The volume of trade in wheat here was said to have been the largest on record. New price records for the crop were attained. Top prices were 5c over Friday. Heavy profit-taking sales were absorbed on the bulge but the close showed net gains of 3/4c to 4/4c. Corn advanced 1/4c to 2c; oats, 3/4c to 1c, and provisions closed 2 1/2c to 6 1/2c up.

Articles	Open	Close
Wheat—		
September	\$1.44 1/2	\$1.47 1/2
December	1.48 1/2	1.51 1/2
Corn—		
September85 1/2	.86 1/2
December74 1/2	.75 1/2
Oats—		
September44 1/2	.45 1/2
December47 1/2	.48 1/2

Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 21.—Firmness characterized the Pittsburgh market for last week. Continuous cuts were made in crude oil prices, yet oil and gas issues did remarkably well considering. There was much profit-taking in Columbia Gas and Electric. The issue was the most active of the entire list. It closed the week with a net gain of 3/4c.

There were four new low records made and two new low ones. Harbison-Walker Refractories common and preferred each scored new high marks and in each case the new record was 104. Common made a week's net gain of 4 1/2c and in doing so was second in strength only to Pressed Steel Car common in which there was slight dealing but a gain of 5 1/2c. Harbison-Walker Refractories preferred closed the week with a net gain of 1 point. Le Bell Iron preferred made a new high record at 132 1/2c and made a net ascension of 2 1/2 points. The other high record was made by Crucible Steel preferred, 117 1/2c, but business in that issue locally was just

enough to give the issue quotation. The low records were made by Riverside Western Oil and Lone Star Gas. Saturday's short session witnessed a lower total in stock transactions than the preceding Saturday's and there was an absence of demand for bonds. There were but 12 issues dealt in and Columbia Gas and Electric was the leader of those with a gain of 1/2 point. Harbison-Walker Refractories common established its new high record of 104. Saturday's sales were as follows:

Sales	Summary for Saturday	High	Low
65 A W G M	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
25 A W G M pt	124	124	124
250 Col G & E	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
40 Cons Ice	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
275 Fireproofing pt	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
35 H-W Refrac	104	104	104
195 Le Bell Iron	55	54 1/2	54 1/2
21 Ohio F Sup	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
300 Pure Oil	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
300 Ross Mining	15	15	15
25 West Electric	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2

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*New high record.

Oil and Gas.

At the conclusion of the week's development work in the Eastern fields, light producers were very much in evidence. Interest in the fields for the same reason is diminishing and operators are keeping a close watch on the market. In analyzing general conditions, operators and producers are of the opinion that the demand for crude of the Pennsylvania grade is so far in advance of production that to further reduce the market will cause a partial suspension of development work and cause a greater loss of production. It is the consensus of opinion that it would not be advisable to drill for light wells, such as the Eastern fields are furnishing, if the market goes much lower. Eastern producers are frank to admit that the market has stood up remarkably well in the face of the various large reductions in the price of Mid-Continent crude, which within a month has been reduced from \$1.65 to 95 cents. During the same period Pennsylvania crude has been reduced from \$2.60 to \$2.30.

On Middle Island creek, Ellsworth district, Tyler county, W. Va., Kelley & Co. completed a second test on the Haddock heirs' farm and it shows for a 10 or 15-barrel pumper in the Maxon sand. On Franks run, McClelland district, Doddridge county, the Hope Natural Gas company has now drilled its test on the J. O. Wilcox farm through all sands. It is a duster

KEEPS BACK TURKS FROM SUEZ REGION



After stopping the Turks in their attempt to reach the Suez Canal, Lt. Gen. Murray, commander of the British troops in Egypt, is reported continuing to drive the invaders back. At Roman, reports say, he captured 3,000 Turks and pushed the rest into the desert.

In all formations and located three-fourths of a mile northeast of the South Penn Oil company's No. 1 on the Absalom Ash farm.

The Philadelphia company's test on the C. Coagray farm on Long Drain run, Church district, Wetzel county, is a gasser in the Big Injun sand. On Denton run, Mannington district, Marion county, F. W. Bartlett's well on the Z. E. Baiton farm produced 275 barrels for the 24 hours ending last night at 7 o'clock.

On Pole Camp run, Union district, Harrison county, the Hope Natural Gas company drilled a test on the E. M. Coffindaffer farm through the fifth sand and developed a fair gasser. On West Fork river in the same district, the Vesper Gas company's test on the George Lowther farm is producing 25 barrels a day from the Gordon sand.

In the same locality, Charles Harris drilled his test on the Mary A. Highland farm through the Gordon and found it barren. It will be drilled to the fifth sand.

On Dents run, Mannington district, Marion county, McIsaac & Clayton's No. 4 on the Henry N. Straight farm, dry in the 30-foot sand, has been drilled to the Gordon and is a fair gasser. In the same district, the Delaware

speaking campaign in behalf of the suffragists' cause.

The postoffice at Jeffrey, Boone county, has been ordered discontinued by the Postmaster General.

Fourth class postmasters commissioned—At Loda, W. Va., John L. Huffman, and at Millett, James E. Copley.

Callers at Congressman Sutherland's office today congratulated him over the fact that National Chairman Willcox had placed West Virginia in his list of eight states which he claimed were "sure" to elect Republican senators.

A new postoffice has been established in Clay county, which is to be known as Flee. Samuel M. Arnold, whose address is Elmira, W. Va., has been appointed to take charge of it.

The next call was on Secretary of the Navy Daniels, and this was an invitation to address the men's Bible class of the Johnson Memorial church at Huntington on some Sunday in September.

Both invitations are under consideration, and responses to them will be made later. Both secretaries appeared interested and desirous of accepting if they can arrange other engagements so as to not conflict.

The third secretarial call was made on Secretary of War Baker. The purpose of this call was to try and get the safety first train sent to Huntington next month during the week of the annual fall festival. The only obstacle in the way is to secure free transportation for the train of eleven cars, which is now being handled by the B. & O. railroad, whose agreement to haul the train over its system free of charge expires September 1st. If an arrangement can be made with the railroad companies the government has agreed to send the train to Huntington at the time desired by the fall festival promoters of that city.

Among the "probationary appointments" announced today by Secretary Lane, of the Department of Interior, was Ernest E. Harman, of West Virginia, as fourth assistant examiner at a salary of \$1,500 a year.

Mrs. Wesley Martin Stoner, prominent suffrage worker in this city, has left for Alderson, W. Va., where she will be the guest of Mrs. Alex. McVeigh Miller and the latter's daughter, Mrs. Chalmers, while she is feeling a seeking itinerary in that part of West Virginia.

The largest meeting arranged for her address will be a picnic affair at Fort Springs, which is to be held on the estate of Miss Mary Davis. Other speakers will be Judge Preston, of Lewisburg, Hon. C. C. Eagle, of Hinton, and Mrs. Mann, of Huntington. It is planned to be the largest meeting of the kind that has been held in the state thus far to promote the success of the votes-for-women amendment. The arrangements for it have been made by a committee composed of Miss Davis, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Graham, of Hinton, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Chalmers.

It marks the fourth visit of Mrs. Stoner to West Virginia to make a

mar Oil company is starting No. 24 on the A. J. Hays farm.

In the West sand development on Blue Creek, Elk district Kanawha county, the South Penn Oil company drilled No. 11 on the W. A. McCorkle farm through the sand and it produced 25 barrels the first 24 hours. In the Big Injun sand development in Union district, Clay county, the Chalmers Oil and Gas company completed No. 2 on the Connell heirs' tract and it shows very little oil.

On Rock run, Freemans creek district, Lewis county, the Philadelphia company has the rig completed for a test on the W. G. Allen farm. In the same stream and in the same district the Philadelphia company has started to drill a test on the Shelton Minter farm. On Coburn fork, Ten Mile district, Harrison county, the Racoon Oil and Gas company is due in the fifth sand at a test on the G. M. Thompson farm.

On Frozen Camp run, Curtis district, Roane county, the United Fuel Gas company is drilling tests on the Warren Miller, Marcellus Hart and M. W. Hickman farms. In Clay district, Monongalia county, the Pittsburgh and West Virginia Gas company has rigged up on the Enos Varner and Alfred Henderson farms. The Pentress Gas company is drilling on the Price heirs and Hall Thomas farms. The Carnegie Natural Gas company is drilling on the A. I. Tennant and R. B. Wright farms and has a rig completed on the Hannah Johnson farm.

Baltimore

Con G E L & P com.	Bid	Asked
Fidelity Trust, 100	113 1/2	113 1/2
Merch and Mech Nat Bk	307	307
Un Ry and El Co., 60	27 1/2	28
Fmt. & Clarksburg 5s	100 1/2	100 1/2
Baltimore Tube	123	123
Baltimore Tube pfd	97 1/2	97 1/2
Cosden com	13 1/2	13 1/2
Cosden Gas com	11 1/2	11 1/2
Cosden Gas pfd	4 1/2	4 1/2
Con Coal Ref 5s	91 1/2	91 1/2
Elkhorn Corp 6s	97 1/2	98 1/2
Davidson Chem.	37 1/2	38
Jam C C 5s	91 1/2	91 1/2

Mrs. Edward Riggs Buried Yesterday

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Bernice Lee Riggs, wife of Mr. E. Riggs, whose death occurred on Thursday morning at her home on Ninth street, were conducted Sunday afternoon from the residence with Rev. C. E. Goodwin, pastor of the First M. E. church officiating.

Funeral services were largely attended by relatives and friends. Following the services the body was taken to the Rex cemetery at White Grave by Undertaker Eli Musgrave and Sons, where interment was made.

Quarrel Leads to Suicide. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 21.—Following a quarrel with a son who was threatening to leave home, Mrs. Monnen Craig, aged 60, committed suicide by taking strychnine today and her body was found this afternoon in a woods not far from the home.

SPECIAL NOTICES

CITY OF FAIRMONT
Notice to Contractors:
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids, curbing and paving of Morgantown avenue, between Holly avenue and Lafayette street, in the second ward of the City of Fairmont, Marion county, West Virginia, pursuant to ordinance number twenty-one authorizing said improvements, passed by the Board of Affairs of said city, August 7, 1916, to which said ordinance reference is hereby made as will be received by the undersigned Commissioner of Streets, etc., of said city, at his office in the Municipal Building in said City between August 18, 1916, and September 5, 1916, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. or so soon thereafter as is practicable. Plans and specifications adopted for said improvements, which plans and specifications shall be made and the contract when entered into, may be seen at the office of the undersigned at said Municipal Building between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. each day, Sundays excepted, between the dates aforesaid.

The successful bidder shall be required to take the paving certificates in payment for the work of said improvements and give bond as in said ordinance provided.

A certified check payable to the City of Fairmont in the sum of ten (10 per cent.) per centum of the amount of bid must accompany said bid, and proposals as evidence of good faith. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned, and check of successful bidder will be held until satisfactory to the undersigned. Address all communications to the undersigned, published for the first time August 18, 1916. (Signed) A. L. LEHMAN, Commissioner of Streets, etc.

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Notice is hereby given that sealed bids and proposals in writing, for the grading, curbing and paving of East Park avenue, between Morgantown avenue and Speedway in the second ward of the City of Fairmont, Marion county, West Virginia, pursuant to ordinance number twenty-two authorizing said improvements, passed by the Board of Affairs of said city, August 7, 1916, to which said ordinance reference is hereby made as will be received by the undersigned Commissioner of Streets, etc., of said city, at his office in the Municipal Building in said City between August 18, 1916, and September 5, 1916, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. or so soon thereafter as is practicable. Plans and specifications adopted for said improvements, which plans and specifications shall be made and the contract when entered into, may be seen at the office of the undersigned at said Municipal Building between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. each day, Sundays excepted, between the dates aforesaid.

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D-K Sept. 5

Answer to "How Old Is Daddy" Puzzle.

In the "How Old Is Daddy" puzzle printed in the West Virginian Saturday, a little girl asked her daddy how old he was. He said: "Your mother's age is four times your own, and our three ages combined amount to 76 years. When our combined ages amount to 88 years, mother's age will then be three times yours. Now, how old am I?"

The daughter, quick in figures, soon submitted the following answer: Daddy must be 36, mother 32 and I eight, as that totals 76. After four years daddy will be 40, mother 36 and I 12, a total of 88. Mother will then be three times as old as myself.

Killed by Brother.
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 21.—Earl Mullen, aged 21, was shot and instantly killed by a gun in the hands of his brother, Albert, two years his senior, at the Mullens home on Davis Creek last night. The boys did not know the gun was loaded.

FOR RENT—Large livery barn rear of Court House. Call Bell 444. 6-16-16.

FOR SALE—Pair Shetland ponies, weight 350 pounds each. Three years old. Perfectly broken for any child to ride or drive. Well matched. Double and single harness, rubber tired runabout, pole and shafts good as new. Two saddles, bridles and halters. Sell reasonable for want of use. Write J. L. D., 575 S. M. St., Washington, Pa. 8-15-16 No. 1335

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"Resolved, First, that the Anabelle Coal & Coke Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the state of West Virginia, does hereby discontinue business as a corporation and surrenders to said state its charter and corporate franchises. The board of directors will proceed to convert the property, choses in action and all assets of this corporation into cash, liabilities and obligations; and after fully discharging all such debts, liabilities and obligations, divide the remainder among the stockholders pro rata with their several holdings of stock, but no such payment shall be made to any stockholder until after the publication of the notice heretofore provided."

Given under my hand this the 22nd day of July, A. D. 1916.
Attest: MELVIN G. SPERRY, Secretary.

W. ORA BOWERS, President of said corporation. 7-31; 8-7-15-22

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WASHINGTON NEWS GOSSIP

By CHARLES BROOKS SMITH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 21.—Congressman Neely has made the following nominations for appointment to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, ranking in the order named:

Archibald William Cooley, Wheeling; Clarence Raymond Ackerman, Wheeling; Robert L. Patterson, Wellsburg, and James Bachmann, Wheeling.

Major Neely introduced the following bills which provided for an increased pension for Josiah Vanseyce, Cameron; Elizabeth Peck, Wheeling; Ulisses Clayton, Fairmont; Samuel A. Robinson, Follinsbee, and Mary Wykert, Wyllerville.

In an effort to secure better compensation for the clerical force connected with the post office at St. Albans, Representative Littlepage called at the Post Office department today. He pointed out to the officials that the business transacted at the office in question had nearly doubled, yet the salaries paid the clerks had not been changed in years. Mr. Littlepage is confident that he has succeeded in getting a "raise," and that an official order to that effect will soon be issued from the department.

McKinley H. Cunningham, of Elkins, who is enlisted with the marine corps, has an ambition to study medicine and surgery so that at the end of six years study he may qualify for a place in the medical section of the marines. To facilitate his realizing that ambition he has interested Congressman Sutherland in requesting a transfer from his present station to the hospital department of the same service. Mr. Sutherland had up young Cunningham's case with the War department officials today.

A bill to restore Greedy R. Sheppard to the coast artillery service with the rank of captain which he would have attained by this time had he not resigned as a lieutenant about a year ago to enter the employ of a manufacturing company, has been offered in the House by Congressman Neely. Sheppard is a native of Huntington and a graduate of the State university. He is an expert ordnance man and the officials at the head of the coast artillery service have intimated that they would like very much to have him back in the army again, and the use of his knowledge and experience in the ordnance division.

Arthur M. Hyde, of Fayette county, who is an expert special investigator whose services have been used more than once by the Federal Trade Commission, has been recommended to that commission by Congressman Littlepage for appointment to investigate the soft coal industry, a work which is just in its initial stage.

Mr. Littlepage has taken up the matter of secured accrued pension money for Francis M. Withrow, of Charleston, and of getting the name of Cyrus H. Light, of Oake Hill, Fayette county, on the pension rolls. Light served in the regular army for three years and recently became insane while in the service.

A consignment of fish has been requested to be sent C. P. Hambrick, of Webster county, by Mr. Littlepage.